[ CODE AND POLICY MEETING ]

Date: Tuesday, November 6th, 2018
Time: 6:00PM-7:00PM
Location: ALSSC ROOM 103

I. Attendance
Kim Vu - VP Administration
Julia Wu - Behavioural Neuroscience Representative
Akhil Krishnan - Physics Representative
Ronan Kerr - Astronomy Representative
Helen Hsiao - AVP Administration

II. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM.

III. Amendments to the Agenda

IV. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved by Akhil, Seconded by Ronan.
“BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.”

...MOTION PASSES.

V. Introductions

VI. Article 13: Science Clubs
a. Standings:
   I. Worked with Clubs commissioner: in previous years only bad standing and good standing.
   II. URO was put in bad standing, but a new executive team.
   III. Clubs should not take the burden of previous executive team.
   IV. Implement a tier system instead: will lose more privilege as they go down the tier system.
   V. Akhil: The tricky part is that a lot of these clubs are departmental clubs.
   VI. Kim: maybe separating the non-departmental clubs and departmental clubs now.

Departmental clubs should be more important than non-departmental clubs because
as a society we should be supporting clubs that represent our departments.

VII. Akhil: Three years ago problem with SOS → They only email Science One students, does not necessarily support all science students. There are clubs that are not departmental and claim to be representing science students when they only support a subgroup of science students that do not necessarily represent the whole science student body.

VIII. Ronan: Putting physics society (as an example), in bad standing, will backfire because they will just not want to work with SUS even more.

VIII. Kim: Will bring it up with Clubs Commission to create a different tier system for non-departmental and departmental clubs.

IX. Akhil: Departmental clubs probably do not have as many members. If there is a club, say 25 people, they will not get as affected by the tier system. Something to consider when implementing sanctions.

X. Ronan: If a club has been in bad standing in the previous years, will they be in a renewed status in September?

XI. Kim: All of the clubs except a couple have been attending all of the events.

XII. Ronan: How about every year if someone from the club attend the Clubs Orientation then they can be reset from bad standing? Not saying that if they do not come then they should be put into bad standing.

XIII. For Clubs orientation have been sending email a month before, so should be Replying even though it is during the summer.

XIV: Julia: When do you (Kim) introduce yourself in your position?

XV. Kim: In July introduce myself, and during Imagine Day. So to not be active in the summer is not really an excuse.

b. AMS
   
   i. Add to code that to be a SUS club must also be an AMS club.
   
   ii. Add as a fifth point.
   
   iii. Akhil: If PHYSSOC were to become an AMS club there are a couple of things that the club does not meet.

VII. Councillors on Standing Committees

- Never specified how many councillors to be on the standing committees.
- Counted the committees to see a way to determine the composition of each committee to make sure that there will always be a majority → One issue: some of the standing committees might be too large.
- Akhil: Discussed in CAPC last year to make sure that chairs are not hiring their friends by restricting the number of member-at-large.
- Kim: Make it an equation or a number? For example, Creative Working Group is not in code. The number in other standing committees are based on how many working groups are under that portfolio. Budget, grants, and CAPC have four plus two.
- Kim: Councillors are important in providing objective views. A chair-dominant committee might have skewed opinions.
Kim: can revisit this every year, but by the time that the councillors are put into the committees, it will be kind of late.

Akhil: Have standing committees and working groups separate are to make sure that everyone is holding accountable for the standing committees, and the working groups are for actually carrying out the events.

Julia: Councillor distributions matter.

Kim: If councillors are busy, then maybe they can be put into one standing committee instead of two. Right now all councillors are put into two committees.

Akhil: The code does not specify what “voting members” mean. It can mean anyone who are just spontaneously attending the meetings.

Kim: Budget, grants, and CAPC are different from other committees, should the voting members in these groups be separate? Can be discussed further.

VIII. SUS Governance Handbook

IX. Committee Motions

Moved by Julia, Seconded by Akhil.

“BE IT RESOLVED THAT CAPC recommend to Council the addition of Article 13 bylaw I, paragraph v. must be a constituted club of the AMS.”

...MOTION PASSES.

X. Discussion Period

- Things to revisit next week:
  - Compared to the working groups in other portfolio such as Academic, External portfolio pale in comparison. Revisit whether we need an External Standing Committee.
  - The makeup of the councillors: the Forensic representative → No, because it is under Biochemistry.
  - Revisit the programs to see if any program is missed.
  - Ronan: I am not allowed to vote for Astronomy, only for physics because I am in a combined program combining astronomy and physics.
  - Julia: Anyone in Combined programs can only vote for one. The computer randomly pick which one you can vote for.
  - Akhil: Something that should be brought up to Emma, VP Internal.
  - Julia: the only way to do it is make individual ballots for each program.
  - Kim: Same thing for Integrated Science program as well.
  - Kim: For AMS representatives and Science Senator, they should just put into one committee and not two.
  - Akhil: The point of having the AMS representatives is to represent science students at AMS meetings. For Science Senator, also to represent science students at the senate meetings.
XI. Adjournment

Being no further business the meeting be adjourned at 7:01 PM.

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